NCC Minutes 9/17/07

Open meeting: 7:08

Present: A. Watts, L. Carroll, D. Mason, L. Hill, R. Konisky, S. Shope, B. Byrnes

1) Ongoing Administrative Business:

- a) Treasurer's Report: A. Watts motions to accept, S. Shope seconds, all in favor YES.
- b) Minutes 8/20/07: D. Mason motions to accept as amended, A. Watts seconds, all in favor YES.

2) Rte. 108 Development:

- a) Designated Aquifer- S. Shope states a developer is allowed to bring in a hydrologist, usually to determine boundaries. Concerned that just test pits were done and not wells but he also states that Hydroterra is fairly reliable. A. Watts feels we still need to be careful concerning protection. The Aquifer Protection Act provides certain restrictions but does not prohibit commercial development. The issue will be discussed at the next PB meeting which A. Watts will attend. S. Shope also mentioned it would be good to have a GIS overlay of the area. b) Paper road issue- R. Konisky reviewed the maps and feels there are definitely large potential impacts on Cobby Brook and reiterates that the road should be moved or not built.
- 3) Silverstein update: The town has reached an agreement with the Silversteins.

 Boundaries to be walked by W. Moore, F. Lane and L. Hill. Will still need to do a conservation walk through.

4) Prime Wetlands:

A. Watts states we need to start educational campaign to reach the public. We need to draft the warrant article then hold 2 public hearings before the vote in March. We should send out an educational leaflet to the town in Oct. then hold hearings in Nov. and Jan. We can also have D.E.S. schedule an informational meeting. R. Konisky suggests trying to make the map available on-line and will see if Sue M. at town hall can help with this. He also thinks we should ask NHEP to help with educational outreach. A. Watts will draft a leaflet that we can review at the next meeting.

5) Other Business:

- a) R. Konisky-
 - EEE issue- Newfields is moving to spray which is a bandaid approach. Larvicide is much more effective. Also need to consider that it is not spread by the saltmarsh mosquitoes. We need to come up with a more scientific approach in the future.

- 5) Other Business (cont.)
 - Town should consider a warrant article to join E.A.S.T. which is trying to come up with a regional waste water management plan. They are reviewing options i.e. to do nothing, pipe waste into Gulf of Maine, etc.
 - b) D. Mason and B. Byrnes will be attending the SPNHF annual meeting.
 - c) A. Watts
 - Natural Resources Outreach Assistance Program- Potential help with GIS prime wetlands mapping.
 - Student Conservation Corps- volunteers available for help with projects.
- 6) Next meeting 10/15/07